



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Omaha Police Department announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Michael A. Perkins was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment by the Honorable Joseph F. Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, following his conviction for Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute more than 50 grams of Cocaine Base. Perkins was ordered to serve 5 years of supervised release following his release from incarceration and pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On April 24, 2008, Omaha Police Officers utilized a cooperating witness who purchased 53.7 grams of crack cocaine from co-defendant Conway Hampton inside an Omaha residence. Officers observed a third party who arrived at the residence and delivered the crack to Hampton, who in turn delivered it to the cooperator. Thereafter the officers ran the plate to the third party's car which revealed it was registered to Michael Perkins. The cooperator was able to identify a booking photo of Michael Perkins as being the third party who delivered the crack.

Name of Defendant: Michael A. Perkins

AKA:

AGE: 29

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to Possess with Intent to Distribute more than 50 grams of Cocaine Base, 10 years-life imprisonment, \$4,000,000 fine, 5 years supervised release, and \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Ne.

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Ne.

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: Over 50 grams of Cocaine Base.

Others Charged in Same Scheme: Conway Hampton

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: November of 2008 through July 27, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: April 24, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: January 22, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: February 2, 2009

Plea Date(s): November 16, 2009

Sentencing Date: February 12, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: On pre-trial release since February 4, 2009

In Continuous Custody Since: N/A

Assigned District Court Judge: Joseph F. Bataillon

Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release: TJK